

AITKIN COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

IX. - A.

October 5, 2016

Committee Members Present: Marlene Abear
Holly Bray
Kim DeMenge
Diane Eastman, AFSCME Union Rep.
Roberta Elvecrog
Kami Genz, Community Corrections
Carole Holten
Joy Janzen
Julie Anne Larkin
Bob Marcum
Katie Nelson, Riverwood Foundation
Commissioner Anne Marcotte
Commissioner Laurie Westerlund

Others Present: Erin Melz, Public Health Supervisor
Heather Overn, Social Service Supervisor
Jessi Goble, Income Maintenance Supervisor
Jessi Schultz, Social Service Supervisor
Kathy Ryan, Fiscal Supervisor
Julie Lueck, Clerk to the Advisory Committee

Guests: Joel Hoppe

Absent: Kristine Layne, Riverwood HealthCare
Bev Mensing, Red Cross
Amanda Voller, Workforce Center

I. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Carole Holton, seconded by Roberta Elvecrog, and carried; the vote was to approve the Agenda.

II. Approval of Minutes of the September 7, 2016 Meeting

Motion by Roberta Elvecrog, seconded by Diane Eastman, and carried; the vote was to approve the Minutes of the September 7, 2016 meeting.

III. Committee Member Input / Updates - Must be informational in nature, relative to Aitkin County Health & Human Services and not exceed (5) minutes per person. Nothing added.

IV. Supervisor Updates:

A. Spousal Impoverishment Law Changes - Jessi Goble explained that the spousal assets amount has risen so the spouse can keep a maximum of \$119,220 now and it applies to all waivers. In the past it was strictly Elderly Waiver but now includes BI (Brain Injury), CAC (Community Alternative Care), CADI (Community Access for Disability Inclusion), and DD (Developmental Disabilities) waivers. The workers will be reassessing those assets back to 1/1/14 and will convert cases when they qualify.

B. Secure Transport Services Contract - Heather Overn discussed the Mental Health transportation noting the sheriff's deputies would transport in the past. Board approved a contact with GSSC (General Security Services Corporation) who provide two law enforcement trained escorts to transport these individuals safely.

C. Flu Shot Clinic Schedule/Clinics - Erin Melz updated the committee members with a list of clinics sites and dates they are open noting there will be a couple walk-in clinics in our office. Erin also reported that they will have the high-dose serum for folks 65 and older but there will be no flu mist this year. We are able to bill a number of insurance companies and Medicare but folks should be sure to bring their insurance cards with them.

V. Task Force Reports/Updates:

A. Corrections - Kami Genz / Roberta Elvecrog / Julie Anne Larkin reported that she met with Kami Genz and discussed collaboration, networking and sharing of resources. She also wants to explore how the committee members can support Community Corrections.

B. Public Health – Bob Marcum / Kristine Layne / Holly Bray - It was noted they have not met.

C. Children's Social Services/Mental Health – Katie Nelson / Holly Bray - It was noted that they have not met recently.

D. Adult Social Services/Mental Health – Bob Marcum / Marlene Abear / Carole Holten
It was noted that Bob Marcum met with Heather today for a last minute meeting. It was also noted that a NAMI group will be meeting in Brainerd this Friday night at the Crow Wing County Land Services Building.

VI. Budget Committee Report/Update – Roberta Elvecrog / Joy Janzen - Kathy Ryan noted they have not met and there are no changes or updates at this time.

VII. Topics for Discussion/Presentations? - December 7, 2016

A. December 2016 - Discuss Purpose of the H&HS Advisory Committee & their meetings. Also introduce one another and what each other does outside of this meeting and what brings them to the table for this meeting?

Commissioner Laurie Westerlund offered to contact NAMI to see about obtaining a presenter at one of the upcoming meetings.

B. January 2017 - Volunteer Transportation

VIII. Comments:

A. Comments from the Committee Members for the Commissioners relative to HHS - *Nothing noted.*

B. Feedback from the Board Meeting

1. September 27, 2016 – Amanda Voller & Katie Nelson

a) Bob Marcum discussed computers for elderly folks to connect with doctors. He also noted that Heather has an article from the Duluth Tribune that he would like to send out to committee members.

b) Katie Nelson discussed the Anoka Regional Mental Health Treatment Center bill that came before the Board noting that we have agreed to pay \$500.00 per month towards the bill of

\$296,000 to show good faith while it goes back to the legislature for further review and action. Katie also discussed the report from Commissioner Napstad noting disparities (NEMOJT) with unrestricted dollars to help local businesses in McGregor. Katie also referred to the transportation issue the State passed on to the county with respect to the volume of work our staff will incur due to the changes, noting there is an article in the Aitkin Age this week about this topic.

C. Committee Members scheduled to attend upcoming Board Meetings in 2016:

OCTOBER 25	Carole Holton	Marlene Abear
NOVEMBER 22	Roberta Elvecrog	Joy Janzen
DECEMBER 27	Bob Marcum	Roberta Elvecrog

D. Additional Information Shared:

1. Joy Janzen noted the Community Meal that was served on Monday, September 12th served 74 people but we were short a number of helpers and that we need a minimum of 8 people to make this work. She noted that the Loaves & Fishes serves another meal on Thursday nights and that they only "help" with the Monday night meal but they do not do the cooking on Monday evenings, as that is left to the group serving the meal.

2. Erin updated the committee members that Liz Short, PH Nurse who is the WIC Coordinator received a Breastfeeding Support Award for Aitkin County Health & Human Service's efforts in drafting and supporting a County policy for lactating mothers which allows time for staff members to express milk in a room that has been set up and provides a comfortable, private setting. It can also be used by mothers visiting the department for other meetings and appointments. Congratulations from the Committee were given to Liz and the Public Health unit.

3. It was announced that Heather Overn, Adult Social Services Supervisor, has submitted her resignation and her last day will be Friday, October 14th.

IX. Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Kami Genz, and carried; the vote was to adjourn the meeting at 4:38 p.m.

Joy Janzen, Chairperson

Julie Lueck, Clerk to the
Aitkin County Health & Human Services Advisory Committee

The following documents were included in the packet of information sent to members for review prior to the meeting or distributed at the meeting:

- Draft copy of the Minutes of the September 7, 2016, Advisory Committee Meeting
- Draft Copy of the September 27, 2016 Health & Human Services Board Meeting Minutes
- Topics for Discussion/Presentations for 2016
- Public Health Flu Shot Clinic Schedule for Fall of 2016